Zilch. Mrs. Dennis tried Rep. Frank Serafini and was told to call Rep. Joseph Wargo. You see, since Carbondale was redistricted into the 115th District Serafini will no longer be our Rep. after Nov. 2nd. And Wargo, who is running for the office against Jerry Birmelin, won't be our Rep. until Nov. 2nd. If he wins.

Meanwhile, Wargo asked Mrs. Dennis to write him a letter letting him know all the details, which she did. She then tried Carbondale again, and Vector Control came up this past Wednesday with some more poison. And at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon, as a last resort, Mrs. Dennis tried DER again. And got a recording which told her there was no one in the office.

This is our government at work. There's a council meeting tomorrow night at 7:30. I don't know if it would do any good for the residents of South Park Street to attend that meeting and voice their disgust and anger.

I do know one thing. If those rats were invading the home of a politician the situation would be resolved in 24 hours.

AROUND TOWN

After 29 years of faithful service to the Coalbrook Playground Association, which she helped found, Mrs. Mary Walsh of 9-44th St., was hosted at a surprise appreciation dinner by association members.

Mrs. Walsh was presented with a plaque on behalf of the Association by newly-elected president Joseph Galati. We'd like to add our congratulations to Mrs. Walsh who did a superb job as the Association's president and has earned a well-deserved rest.

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Both the 90-plus membership of the Carbondale Teachers Union and the Board of Education were standing fast late Friday afternoon and it looks like there'll be a strike tomorrow. There was a meeting planned for Friday night but going into that meeting it looked as if nothing would be resolved.

Since neither the School Board nor the Union is talking much, I can't give you the specifics over the deadlocked netotiations. If the teachers do strike tomorrow, it'll be a first in Carbondale. It will also be a disgrace and shame on both sides for not resolving the matter prior to the start of the school year. No matter what the Union's demands or the School Board's proposals, it should have been resolved before school started.

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An historical marker was installed next to Carbondale's City Hall a few weeks ago, with some 31 dignataries attending the ceremonies. Again, as it has so many times this past year, the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, headed by S. Robert Powell, has made the city's residents proud. Keep it up.

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The annual veterans awards dinner is going to be held Oct. 28 at the Montdale Country Club. This year's recipient of the award is Sam Falbo, president of Pizza Crust, long active in community affairs and one of the biggest boosters of the Pioneer City. The dinner is open to the public, which will allow Carbondaleans an opportunity to express their appreciation to a man who has done so much for our city.

Anyone needing further information or tickets to this very prestigious affair need only contact Francis McDonnell at the Bureau of Employment Security Office.

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S. Robert Powell, president of the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, has put together a fantastic "Carbondale Calendar". Printed on heavy bond paper, the calendar is full of photos and events, both historical and current that brings to life the history of the Pioneer City. It is well worth the selling price of $4 and may be purchased by writing to Powell at Box 161, Carbondale, Pa. 18407.

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AND FINALLY

Want to thank co-workers Tom Rummerfield and Frank Farrell, and good friend Pete Smith for covering for me last week. I attended the funeral of a family member and wasn't able to get back in time to write this column. It was nice to know I was missed.